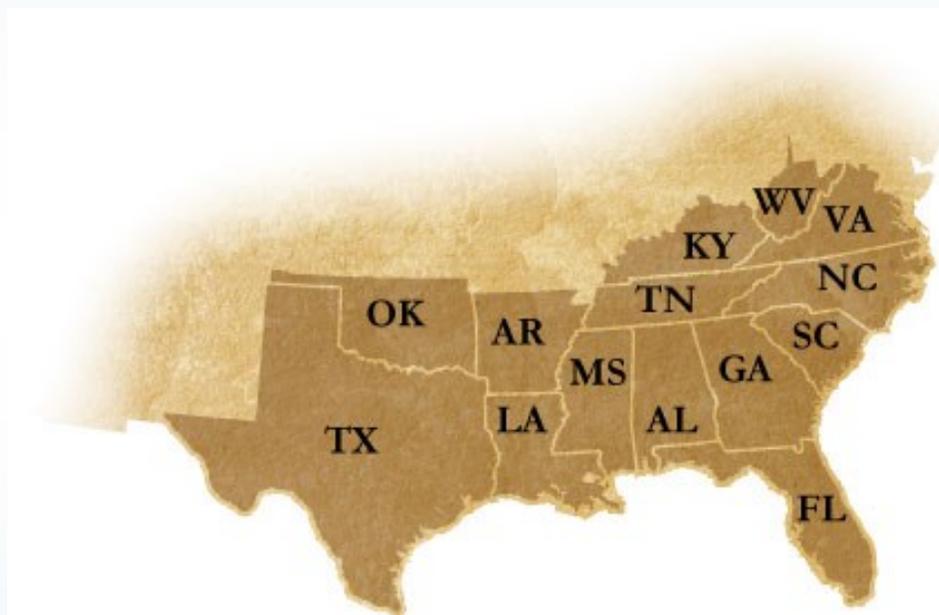


# Southern Demographic News

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## SDA 2015 is drawing near!

**October 14-16, 2015**  
**Hotel Contessa**  
**San Antonio, TX**



The 2015 annual meeting of the Southern Demographic Association is rapidly approaching! I just wanted to take this opportunity to make everyone aware of a few special events.

Wednesday, 10/14 will be the annual welcome reception at 7:00 PM in the Cypress Room.

Thursday, 10/15 is highlighted by the featured lunch speaker, Dr. Debra Umberson, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Population Research Center at the University of Texas-Austin. The title of Dr. Umberson's talk is "Gender, Marriage, and Health: Gay, Lesbian, and Heterosexual Couples."

Friday, 10/16, is also highlighted by the featured lunch speaker, Dr. Mark Fossett, Professor of Sociology and Director of the Texas Census Research Data Center at Texas A&M University. The title of Dr. Fossett's talk is "Observations on the Measurement and Analysis of Residential Segregation."

I am excited about these events and all of the great paper and poster presentations that will be happening at this year's annual meeting! Check out this link for a look at the preliminary program: <http://sda-demography.org/docs/SDA-2015-program-draft-8.31-version-2.pdf>



# SDA PAPER AWARDS

The SDA makes awards for the following types of papers presented at the annual meeting:

## Everett S. Lee Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award



SDA presents an award for the best *graduate student* paper delivered at the annual meeting. The winning student receives a cash prize and a certificate, both of which are presented at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper in electronic format to [studentawards@sda-demography.org](mailto:studentawards@sda-demography.org) by **September 1, 2015**.

## Outstanding Undergraduate Student Paper Award

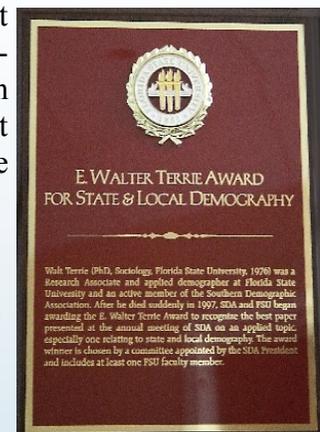
SDA presents a cash prize and a certificate for the best *undergraduate paper* presented at the conference. The award is given at the annual business meeting. Please send your complete paper, in electronic format, to [studentawards@sda-demography.org](mailto:studentawards@sda-demography.org) by **September 1, 2015**.

## E. Walter Terrie Award for State and Local Demography

Walt Terrie was a faculty member and applied demographer at Florida State University and an active member of the Southern Demographic Association. After he died suddenly in 1997, SDA and FSU began awarding the Walt Terrie Award to recognize the “best paper presented at the SDA Annual Meeting on an applied topic, especially one relating to state and local demography.” The award is chosen by a committee appointed by the SDA President and including at least one FSU faculty member. For consideration for the E. Walter Terrie Award, email your submission to Jason Devine at

[jason.e.devine@census.gov](mailto:jason.e.devine@census.gov) no later than **September 14, 2015**.

Submissions for the award should only be made after the paper has been accepted to the SDA program. The Terrie Award consists of a \$400 cash prize and an appropriate certificate.



## **MESSAGE FROM SDA PRESIDENT DR. LLOYD POTTER**

Greetings SDAers,

Our annual meeting looks like it will be a good one. Great sessions, papers, and posters can be seen on the agenda and we'll be in San Antonio in October. This is one of the best times of year in San Antonio weather wise. In addition to our meeting, there are many things to see and do in San Antonio. The conference hotel is on one of the more interesting stretches of the River Walk, but if that's all you see you'll be missing a lot. Johnelle Sparks has taken care of local arrangements and I think you'll get to sample the flavor of and culture of San Antonio. As many of you know, Stephanie Bohon, be taking on the role of SDA President in the coming year. We are preparing to have elections for board members and president elect and are working to start the voting process soon.

The SDA board is also working to identify a secretary. Johnelle Sparks, who has played that role ably for some time, will step down after December of this year. So if you're interested in the possibility of getting engaged with SDA as secretary (and you're a very organized person) or if you know someone who might be, let us know.

Population Research and Policy Review has an improving impact factor! This is due largely to the editorial work Bridget Gorman and Stephanie Bohan (past editors) and now with the leadership of Jennifer Glick as editor (with my minor contributions), I believe the trend will continue. Starting in January, Lynne Cossman will become co-editor with Jennifer and she is already making solid contributions to the editorial process.

I look forward to seeing you in San Antonio!

Lloyd Potter, President (2015)  
Southern Demographic Association

# SAN ANTONIO HOTEL INFORMATION

The 2015 annual meeting will be held at the Hotel Contessa on the Riverwalk in San Antonio. The Hotel Contessa is the only four-diamond all-suite hotel on the Riverwalk. The hotel is a gorgeous retreat for leisure and business guests visiting the most vibrant city in Texas.

To book a room for the upcoming SDA meeting please visit the link below. Please remember the room rate includes breakfast, lunch, and receptions with sangria!!! Please direct any questions to Johnelle Sparks at [johnelle.sparks@utsa.edu](mailto:johnelle.sparks@utsa.edu). Book now!

[https://reservations.ihotelier.com/crs/g\\_reservation.cfm?groupID=1250846&hotelID=15294](https://reservations.ihotelier.com/crs/g_reservation.cfm?groupID=1250846&hotelID=15294)



# JOBS: RICE UNIVERSITY

## Open Rank tenure-track or tenured position

**Rice University.** Pending administrative approval, the Department of Sociology at Rice University located in Houston, Texas invites applications for an open rank tenure-track or tenured position to begin July 2016. We welcome applicants who can build on our areas of research study or expand upon and broaden our existing strengths (please see our department website for more information on our specialties as a department and as individual researchers: <http://sociology.rice.edu>). Rice is a Research 1 private institution and offers several unique advantages including PhD and postdoctoral fellowship programs, the Kinder Institute for Urban Research, the Baker Institute for Public Policy, competitive salaries, and outstanding undergraduate and graduate students. PhD required, and applicants should have demonstrated excellence in scholarship, teaching, and collegial service. A successful senior candidate must have an outstanding record of scholarly achievement and demonstrated excellence in undergraduate and graduate teaching and advising. A successful junior candidate must be engaged in a research program with the potential to influence his/her field and demonstrate the potential for excellence in undergraduate and graduate teaching and advising.

All candidates should submit: (1) letter of application, (2) curriculum vitae, and (3) two recent samples of published work. Senior candidates (full and associate) should include names and contact information for up to five references who would be contacted at the appropriate time by the search committee. Junior candidates should have three letters of reference sent at the time of the application.

Senior candidates should submit materials at the following link: <http://jobs.rice.edu/postings/4462>

Junior candidates should submit materials at the following link: <http://jobs.rice.edu/postings/4459>

The application deadline is October 1st, but applications will be considered until the position is filled. Rice University is an Equal Opportunity Employer with commitment to diversity at all levels, and considers for employment qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, national or ethnic origin, genetic information, disability or protected veteran status.

# JOBS: UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO-DENVER

## **Assistant Professor in Health & Behavioral Sciences**

The Department of Health and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Colorado Denver invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level to begin in Fall 2016. The area of expertise is open to health, broadly defined, and we particularly encourage applications from individuals who conduct research and teach in the areas of environmental health, health policy, biomarkers, decision-making, and health economics. The program is especially interested in individuals who fit with the Department's interdisciplinary focus on the application of social, behavioral, and natural science theory and methods to social and biological aspects of population health in national and/or global contexts. The successful candidate will join a faculty active in research, grant-writing, and teaching in a program with a graduate (Ph.D.) degree and undergraduate major in public health (B.A./B.S.). The position is a 9-month appointment with a 4-course per academic year teaching expectation in the department's Ph.D. and undergraduate programs. Salary is competitive, not grant dependent and will be offered on a basis commensurate with qualifications and experience. The University of Colorado offers a full benefits package. Information on University benefits programs, including eligibility, is located at <https://www.cu.edu/employee-services>. Additional details about the department can be found at <http://www.ucdenver.edu/academics/colleges/CLAS/Departments/hbsc>.

Applicants must apply online at [www.jobscu.com](http://www.jobscu.com), refer to job posting F02860. Please include a cover letter describing research and teaching interests, current curriculum vitae, and contact information (including email addresses) for at least 3 professional references. Any questions with submitting materials, please contact Abby Fitch at 303.556.4300 or [abby.fitch@cu-denver.edu](mailto:abby.fitch@cu-denver.edu). Review of applications will begin on October 11, 2015 and continue until the position is filled. The University of Colorado Denver is dedicated to ensuring a safe and secure environment for our faculty, staff, students and visitors. To assist in achieving that goal, we conduct background investigations for all prospective employees. The University of Colorado Denver is committed to recruiting and supporting a diverse student body, faculty and administrative staff. The university strives to promote a culture of inclusiveness, respect, communication and understanding. We encourage applications from women, ethnic minorities, persons with disabilities and all veterans. The University of Colorado is committed to diversity and equality in education and employment.

# JOBS: FURMAN UNIVERSITY

## **Furman University: Tenure track position for assistant professor**

The Department of Sociology at Furman University invites applications for a tenure track assistant professorship beginning Fall 2016. A Ph.D. in Sociology by time of appointment with specialization or strong interest in urban/community sociology is preferred, along with an interest to participate in a thriving poverty studies program. Other substantive areas are open but might include two of the following: social inequality, environmental sociology, or family and society.

Candidates should also have an interest in teaching introduction to sociology. Candidates should submit a CV, list of references, and a cover letter that addresses the following: (a) a solid understanding of the liberal arts mission, (b) a record of past scholarly achievement and a clear plan for future research, (c) a willingness to incorporate undergraduates into their research, and (d) a list of mid- and upper-level courses other than the introduction to sociology that the candidate would like to teach, along with an explanation of how these courses would strengthen or usefully supplement the department's current offerings and curriculum.

We strongly encourage candidates to familiarize themselves with our curriculum before submitting their application. For information about Furman University and its growing sociology department, please see the web page at:

<http://www2.furman.edu/academics/sociology/Pages/default.aspx>.

Teaching load is five courses per year, with the opportunity to teach First Year Seminars. The individual we seek is dedicated to excellent teaching in a liberal arts environment, welcomes opportunities to work with students as peers and partners in learning.

Strong research credentials and a promising scholarly agenda are also essential. Candidates willing to pursue a research agenda relevant to community based research will be given highest priority.

Furman University is a private, highly selective liberal arts college of 2,700 residential students located in Greenville, South Carolina. Greenville has a thriving downtown and international community and is within a short driving distance of Charlotte, Atlanta, and Asheville. Greenville is a growing city that provides numerous research opportunities, and Furman has a strong relationship with its communities and leadership.

Application review will begin October 15, 2015 and continue until the position is filled. To apply, please visit our website at <https://jobs.furman.edu/postings/5202>. Those who have questions about the position are welcome to contact [paul.kooistra@furman.edu](mailto:paul.kooistra@furman.edu).

Furman University is an equal opportunity employer strongly committed to diversity within its community. Furman offers employment benefits to domestic partners of employees.

# JOBS: SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

## Job Description:

Assistant Professor of Sociology.

Position No. 00050341. The Sociology Department at Southern Methodist University invites applications for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level to begin August 2016 pending budgetary approval. We seek a sociologist with a strong research agenda and a commitment to teaching and engaging in research with undergraduate students. Preference will be given to candidates with expertise in one or more of the following areas: economic sociology, work and organizations, and race and ethnicity. Ph.D. is required at the time of appointment.

The position requires excellence in both research and teaching. The successful candidate will teach two courses per semester, and will be expected to teach general and advanced undergraduate research methods and or theory courses as a part of their teaching responsibilities.

To ensure full consideration for the position, the application must be received by October 1, 2015, but the committee will continue to accept applications until the position is filled. All application materials must be submitted online at [apply.interfolio.com/29874](http://apply.interfolio.com/29874); required materials include a letter of application, CV, a one to two page description of research interests, an article-length sample of research writing, evidence of teaching effectiveness. Applicants should also arrange to have three letters of reference forwarded to [apply.interfolio.com/29874](http://apply.interfolio.com/29874) on their behalf. For additional information, applicants may contact Sheri Kunovich, Chair of Sociology ([kunovich@smu.edu](mailto:kunovich@smu.edu)).

SMU is an inclusive and intellectually vibrant community that values diverse research and creative agendas. Located near the center of Dallas, SMU is a private nonsectarian university of 11,000 students. Southern Methodist University will not discriminate in any program or activity on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation, or gender identity and expression. The Executive Director for Access and Equity/Title IX Coordinator is designated to handle inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies and may be reached at the Perkins Administration Building, Room 204, 6425 Boaz Lane, Dallas, TX 75205, 214-768-3601, [accessequity@smu.edu](mailto:accessequity@smu.edu). Hiring is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a background check.

## **JOBS: BAYLOR UNIVERSITY**

Special Program and  
Areas of Faculty Expertise: Medical Sociology  
Family  
Region: Southwest  
Salary Range: \$70,000 - \$79,999

Interfolio Submission Link: <http://apply.interfolio.com/30813>

### Job Description:

The Department of Sociology has been authorized to recruit two tenure-track sociologists for August, 2016. Preferred career stage is advanced assistant professor, but we welcome applications from beginning scholars as well. We seek quantitative sociologists who specialize in health and/or family. These individuals will be expected to teach undergraduate courses and contribute substantially to a doctoral program that presently has two emphases: sociology of religion and applied sociology. We are actively building in the health and society area and expect it to become a third focus of our graduate training. PhD required at the time of appointment. For much more information, please see: <http://www.baylor.edu/sociology/doc.php/247032.pdf>.

To apply, go to the application portal at <http://www.baylor.edu/hr/index.php?id=81295>. Items to be submitted include a letter of application, curriculum vitae, transcripts, reprints or other writing samples, and three letters of reference. Applications will be reviewed beginning September 15, 2015, and will be accepted until the position is filled. To ensure full consideration, applications should be complete by October 1, 2015. Baylor is affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas. As an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Employer, Baylor encourages minorities, women, veterans, and persons with disabilities to apply. No university has been designated by the Chronicle as a "Great College to Work For" more often than Baylor. See: [http://www.baylor.edu/mediacommunications/news.php?action=story&story=158405&\\_buref=1155-90749](http://www.baylor.edu/mediacommunications/news.php?action=story&story=158405&_buref=1155-90749)

## **JOBS: DUKE UNIVERSITY**

Department: Department of Sociology  
Company: Duke University  
Job Position/Rank: Academic Positions: Assistant Professor  
Special Program and  
Areas of Faculty Expertise: Race, Class and Gender  
Race, Class and Gender  
Region: Southeast  
Salary Range: Negotiable

Interfolio Submission Link:

Job Description:

Duke University. The Department of Sociology seeks applications to fill a position at the assistant professor level or early associate, tenure track. Candidates should have research and teaching experience and a publication record in the area of race and ethnic stratification. Interest and experience in any of the other areas the department is preferred, but not required (e.g., demography, networks, culture, medical sociology, social psychology, stratification, religion, and economic sociology). The Department of Sociology maintains thriving undergraduate and graduate programs, with a full-time faculty of 20 and an affiliated faculty of 11 attached to other departments, research centers, and professional schools. Processing of applications will begin September 15, 2015, and continue until the position is filled. Appointment begins July 1, 2016. Send electronic versions of a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to: Academic Jobs Online at <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo>. Applications will be reviewed upon receipt and considered until the position is filled. Duke University is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer committed to providing employment opportunity without regard to an individual's age, color, disability, genetic information, gender, gender identity, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

# JOBS: GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Title: Assistant/Associate/Full Professors of Sociology  
Department: School of History and Sociology  
Company: Georgia Institute of Technology  
Job Position/Rank: Academic Positions: Assistant Professor, Academic Positions: Associate Professor, Academic Positions: Full Professor  
Environmental Sociology

## Job Description:

The School of History and Sociology (HSOC) invites applications for at least two sociology faculty positions with rank open. We are especially interested in applicants with at least one of the following areas of specialization: sociology of science and/or technology, environmental sociology, sociology of gender, sociology of development, urban sociology, or sociological theory. We also seek applicants with an ability to teach graduate-level quantitative methods or social theory. The positions will begin August 2016. Ph.D. must be completed by the time of appointment. Rank will be commensurated with experience and accomplishment.

Members of the search committee will be at the ASA Meeting in Chicago and available to meet with individuals interested in the positions through the ASA employment service.

HSOC is an interdisciplinary unit composed of sociologists and historians. The successful candidates must demonstrate excellence in both research and teaching, and will be expected to contribute to the unit's undergraduate program and Ph.D. program in History and Sociology of Technology and Science. More can be learned about our programs at <http://www.hsoc.gatech.edu>.

Review of applications will begin September 15 and continue until the positions are filled. Application materials should be sent electronically. Please send a letter of application, Curriculum Vitae, a writing sample, and arrange for three letters of reference to be sent to: [sociologysearch@hsoc.gatech.edu](mailto:sociologysearch@hsoc.gatech.edu).

Located in midtown Atlanta, Georgia Tech is a Research I institution enrolling over 21,000 students. Georgia Tech was recently voted one of the best places to work, and Atlanta is consistently ranked among the top ten places to live for young professionals. Georgia Tech is a unit of the University System of Georgia and an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer and requires compliance with the Immigration Control Reform Act of 1986. Members of historically excluded groups are particularly encouraged to apply.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Registration fee structure for the 2015 meetings**

Our fee structure for registering for SDA this year is as follows:

Up to September 14, Early Registration

student registration = \$105

regular registration = \$205

September 15—October 13, Standard Registration

student registration = \$120

regular registration = \$230

October 14 onward, Onsite Registration

student registration = \$135

regular registration = \$250

Please visit this link to register: [http://sda-demography.org/sda\\_2015\\_meeting.php](http://sda-demography.org/sda_2015_meeting.php)

## **PRPR is trending up!**

We are pleased to announce that PRPR's impact factor increased from 0.727 in 2013 to 0.803 in 2014 with a total number of cites of 707, up from 637 in 2013.

PRPR is now ranked 16 (out of 25) in the category Demography. This is an improvement from 2013 when the journal was ranked 19th out of 25.

## **New SDA Officials Announcement**

Congratulations to Stephanie Bohon of University of Tennessee-Knoxville as the President-Elect, Jeremy Porter of Brooklyn College as Vice President, and Lynne Cossman of West Virginia University as an editor of PRPR. Thanks for your service!

## **Secretary-Treasurer Position Open**

Are you interested in gaining more professional experience? Interested in becoming more involved in SDA? SDA is looking for a new secretary-treasurer to begin January 1, 2016 for a three-year term . Please contact Lloyd Potter at [lloyd.potter@utsa.edu](mailto:lloyd.potter@utsa.edu) or Johnelle Sparks at [johnelle.sparks@utsa.edu](mailto:johnelle.sparks@utsa.edu) if you are interested.

# COMMENTS FROM THE NEW EDITOR

Hi SDA Members,

I would like to encourage everyone to contact me of any news items worthy of being included in future editions of the newsletter. You can contact me via email at [news@sda-demography.org](mailto:news@sda-demography.org), or by phone at (901) 678-1631.

Thanks,

Wes James  
The University of Memphis  
Editor, Southern Demographic News